

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	Confirmation No.: 2406
Leslie D. MICHELSON <i>et al.</i>	Art Unit: 3626
Application No.: 09/923,385	Examiner: Rachel L. Porter
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For: Systems and Methods for Selecting and Recruiting Investigators and Subjects for Clinical Studies	

**Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

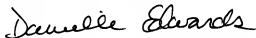
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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Office Action be extended 2 months from October 14, 2006 to December 14, 2006 by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

Authorization to charge the official fees for this filing is given in the accompanying transmittal letter.

Respectfully submitted,



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